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RE: Facility Disposition RSOP – Explosive Demolition of Type 1 Facilities

Dear Mr. Legare:

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Division would like to clarify our position in regard to the utilization of the Facility Disposition RSOP (the RSOP) with regard to Type 1 facilities and the use of explosives.

During a recent e-mail discussion regarding the proposed demolition of one of the guard towers using explosives, it was stated that "the RSOP scope is limited to Type 2 and 3 facilities". We would like to take this opportunity to clarify that the RSOP is not specifically limited to Type 2 and 3 facilities. The purpose of the RSOP is also indicated to "document the facility disposition process obligations for all facilities at RFETS" and to "fulfill the consultative process obligations for Type 1 facilities", as stated in the Introduction. Therefore, although this RSOP does not require specific decision documents for demolition of Type 1 facilities, the disposition process outlined in this RSOP should be utilized for their demolition. This at a minimum includes following the guidance provided in the RSOP, including (but not limited to) providing us with appropriate notification and an opportunity to review the Demolition Plan if explosives are to be utilized.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence please contact me at (303) 692-3367.

Sincerely,


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